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Re: Sunday hunting
Dear Committee Members,
I have hunted often in Connecticut for the last 20 years, both as a resident and as a non-resident. I live in California but I make 4 or 5 trips to Connecticut during the hunting season on business. I always find time to hunt on those trips.
When I lived in-state, the illegality of hunting on Sundays was a challenge. For those of us who work Monday through Friday, our efforts were cut down to just one day per weekend. If the weather didn't cooperate, we were idle for another week. Had hunting been permitted on Sundays while I was a full time resident, my efforts and personal deer harvest would have been much more productive.
Nowadays, as a frequent visitor, Sunday prohibition of hunting on private land in Zone eleven is still an obstacle. I know the local hunting attitudes and study both deer and hunting seriously. I have worked with deer committees on ways to improve the harvest. Darien put in a town cooler for deer upon my recommendation and because of that and my personal efforts, the town's harvest increased dramatically. I know what works. Allowing Sunday hunting, particularly for archery gear on private land, will help with deer management greatly. Thank you for you consideration.
Sincerely,
Rob Lucas, MPAS, PA-C.
Thank you.

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